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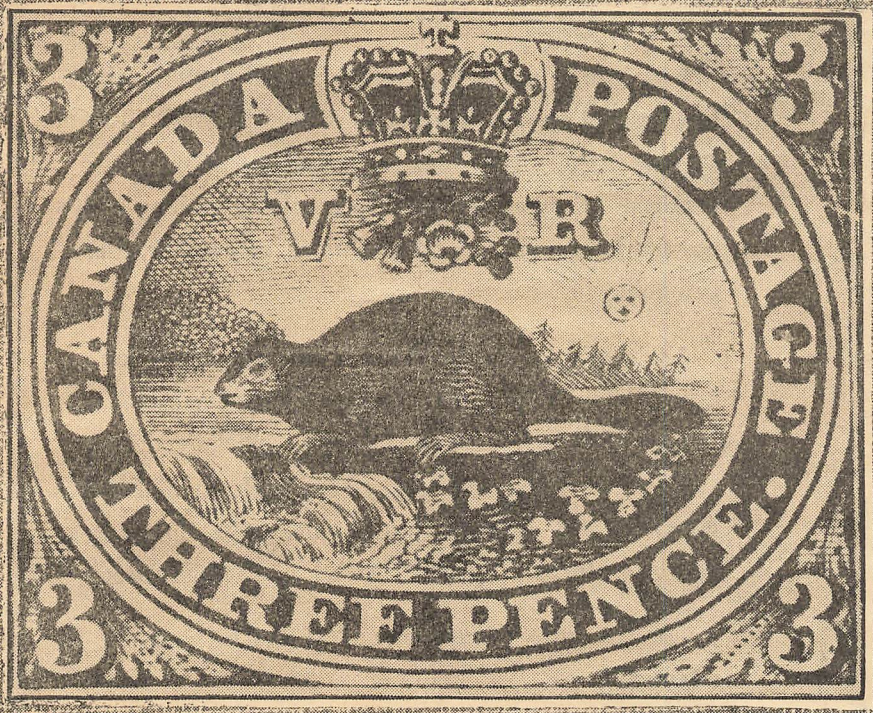

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48		10c	.04	.03
49		15c	—	.02
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65		10c	.03	.01
66		15c	—	.02
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Popular Stamps

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New Stamp Issue Release Is Postponed

Coming as a bit of surprise and disappointment to philatelists was the announcement first of the month that the new King's Birthday Issue of postage stamps to have been released June 6th has had to be withheld, possibly for three months. Reason given is that the words "Postage" and "Postes" do not appear on the stamps. In any event the stamps were withheld. Some conjecture is that the words may be superimposed on the stamps but it is more than likely that they will be destroyed and complete new stamps issued from a new design. In the meantime there must be thousands of privately cacheted covers awaiting the stamps at the Ottawa P. O. If, as intimated, some already had the new stamps affixed and the covers with stamps on them will have to be desroyed, the P. O. furnishing new covers, there will be a lot of pretty cachets lost. Or will the P. O. remove the stamps and replace with the new printing? And it looks like some job to us to round up all the stamps of this discarded printing to keep them from getting out as philatelic rarities.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Ottawa, 31st May, 1949.

Postmaster General, Ernest Bertrand, announced today that the new postage stamps bearing reproductions of recent portraits of King George VI in the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, and 5c denominations will not be issued on 6th June 1949, as was originally planned, because of the necessity of making changes in the design. The revised stamps will be issued as soon as possible. (A further statement will be published in approximately three months time announcing the revised date of issue and service for First Day Covers.)

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LETTER RE O'MALLEY COVERS

Kitchener, May 26th, '49.

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Cobden, Ont.

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After reading Mr. Jarrett's article about the O'Mally find I thought you might be interested to know that I purchased from the finder 35 of these Covers. Many have cork cancels and advertising on them. One Cover dated 1879 with Coat of Arms. Below this "On Militia Service No. 57". Another cover post marked "House of Assembly 1884", in blue, with Coat of Arms. One cover, Longwood, Ont., 1877, advertising Farmers Advocate with picture of different cattle. One stampless cover with 2 postmarks, 1 Ottawa and 1 Militia Department A.G.O., on post mark; also printed on Cover Registered and Free 1869.—A. B.

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Philatelic Highlight For Winnipeg

Editor's Note:—To we Easterners the story of the settlement of the Red River Colony attracts as a highlight of pioneering adventure. Many an Old Ontario school boy envisioned the Red River as in the vast distances, marvelled at the hardihood of the colonists, their isolation, and imagined dangers from hostile savages. Worked into this dark mood he can be pardoned if his boyish mind conjured up bloody scenes of battle that may have, he thought, given the river its name. Pardon the reminiscence, but the point we wish to reach is, that this school boy, perhaps, today is among the mature adult philatelists who will enjoy the following article on postal matters of that early period.

"RED RIVER - B.N.A."

by

DR. MURRAY CAMPBELL

Winnipeg Philatelic Society

An outstanding "find" has been made in Winnipeg. It consists of some fifty covers, many with letters enclosed, which were mailed to or from the Red River between the years 1849 and 1870. The scope of this article will be limited to the period 1849—1856, during which all letters in this correspondence mailed from the Red River were addressed to James Ross, Toronto. Prior to 1853, as is well known, the only regular mails were those of the packets of the Hudson's Bay Company which went either via York Factory to London or overland to Canada three, in all, a year. Two letters of this group dated 1849, sent from England, are addressed to Alexander Ross, Red River Settlement, Hudson's Bay House, Fenchurch, London. Stamps which defrayed the British Postage (Glasgow to London) have been torn off and there are no postal markings except the Glasgow and London cancellations on the reverse. These letters were then carried by the Hudson's Bay packet via York Factory to the Red River. This confirms the opinion expressed elsewhere that all mail for the Red River was collected

at London during this period. While no letters in this correspondence appear to have been carried overland from Canada via Ste Sault Marie, nonetheless, a great deal of mail must have been sent by this route.

The arrival of the first Bishop of Rupert's Land at the Red River in 1849, brought about agitation for increased postal facilities and in the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of Assiniboia (the Governing Body of the Red River) Jan. 22nd, 1850, it is proposed "that a sufficient sum from the public funds be set aside for sending an express hence to England via St. Peters or the nearest post-town, the bearer to bring back all letters and newspapers for the Settlement." This was agreed to and at the next meeting "The President then referred to the motion that passed at the last Council, concerning extra communication between this place and Europe, on which the President observed that in his conversation with Sir George Simpson (Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company) he, Sir George, had informed him that £200 (sterling) would be requisite for the intended communication and if the Council of Assiniboia would deposit that sum he would ensure them six opportunities a year of correspondence with Europe. After some conversation the motion passed at the previous meeting was cancelled." Nor was Sir George's offer accepted, the reason probably being (1) the cost was too great, (2) the settlers wished to send their mail outside the jurisdiction of the Hudson's Bay Company or (3) the Company mails were too slow. St. Peters, mentioned above, was a trade centre in Southern Minnesota.

However, on November 4th, 1853, Wm. Ross is able to say to his brother, "Now a likelihood we will have a regular monthly mail. We (i.e. settlers of the Red River) have subscribed the sum of £60 to aid the Yankees to carry the mail—Adam Klyne is to make the first trip—he starts tomorrow and is moreover likely to get the contract." The letter concerned is contained in an envelope with a single outer circle postmark, SAINTPAUL, Min. Ter.—Nov. 28, stamped 10 in black, with an exchange mark in blue, roughly similar to Boggs type 11c (plus 6d). As the "10" appears to blackout part of the exchange mark, it is suggested by Mr. Frank Campbell that all markings were put on at St. Paul. This letter was apparently carried on the first regular mail sent via the United States to Canada. Another dated Dec. 19th, 1853, but which did not leave the Red River until Dec. 28th, (sent via Hudson's Bay Company overland Express to Canada and postmarked Feb. 2, 1854, Ste. Sault Marie) states "that the Yankee packet came in Saturday;" and again on Jan. 31, 1854, "The mail starts tommorrow—this one (sent via Pembina) may reach you before mine sent via Ste. Sault Marie." This would suggest that the mails via the United States were in satisfactory operation.

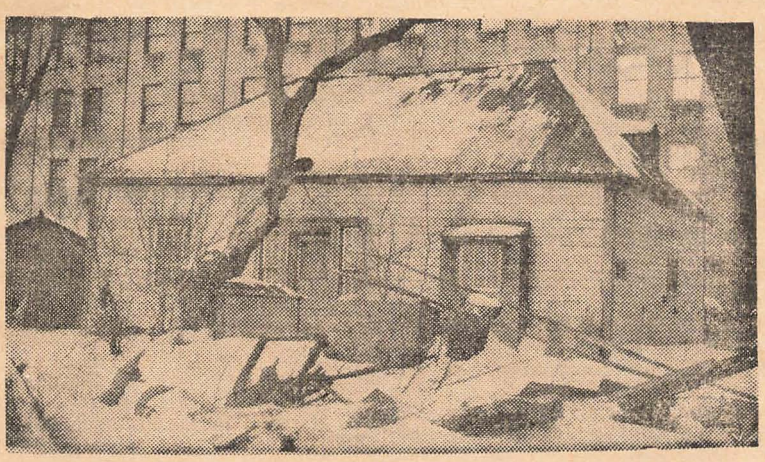
The next letter, carried privately to St. Paul and written June 14, 1854, has the same St. Paul postmark, dated Jul 15, stamped 10 with a black oval exchange mark akin to Boggs type VIa. Another under the date of July 12, 1854, says "notice was only given out last night that the mail would start this morning". It has a circular postmark FORT RIPLEY—MIN—July 26, with 10 in Mss. and the same exchange mark. The next on Nov. 14, 1854, "We have received yours of the 9th of September by Adam Klyne on October 30th. A collection was made for carrying the mail to St. Paul during the winter—we will be able to make five trips, so that during the winter we may expect to have letters regularly—all letters will be prepaid", but despite the remark about St. Paul, the envelope is postmarked "Swan River, M.T. Minnesota, Dec. 7—paid 10"—all in Mss. It is also marked "R.R. Nov. 15th", in longhand, the first Red River marking of any kind. Another, sent the same day, which has the same markings and in addition "Via Pembina" says "The packet for St. Paul is to go tomorrow". An official report of the Canadian Post Office Inspector for 1882 states "In 1853 a mail service was organized once per month between Fort Garry and Fort Ripley, the nearest United States Post and it has been generally believed that

this was correct. Hargrave's "Red River" published 1871, contains a similar statement. On the other hand it would appear from these letters that Mr. Klyne's contract called for delivery of the mail to St. Paul. This opinion is strengthened by the fact that the quotations which mentioned Klyne are from the letters of Wm. Ross, who in all probability had much to do with organizing the postal services of 1853 and 1854. While it is obvious that Klyne did not always arrive at St. Paul, the evidence is sufficiently strong to indicate this was his proper destination. A settler who did not contribute to the "£60" was obliged to pay 5/- to send a letter with the Yankee.

Not long after this, the Council of Assiniboia put the mail service via the United States to Canada on an authorized basis, and named a postmaster for the Red River. On Feb. 10, 1855, (two weeks before his appointment became official) Wm. Ross writes "I am postmaster and in a great hurry— just ready to make up the mail." The cover of this letter "a first day" is postmarked "Pembina, M.T. Feb. 15/55, paid 10 cts."—all in Mss. This suggests that there was a post office at Pembina before 1857, the date usually given for its establishment. The exchange mark in red is similar to Boggs type Vb. Ross's salary was £5 yearly. From this date, the mails were only taken to Pembina, at which point they were exchanged for the mail from Canada. They were carried by Roger Goullet or Goulillais who received 25/- for each round trip.

On Nov. 10th, 1855, Wm. Ross applied the manuscript postmark illustrated above and it is believed that this was the first occasion on which it was used, and also that it has not been previously described in a philatelic publication. It is noted on eight or nine covers between Nov. 10, 1855 and Mar. 10, 1856, and is identical on all. The short period of use is explained by the unexpected death of Ross in April or May 1856 at the age of 31, just after he had been reappointed postmaster at £6 per annum. None of his successors appears to have used a postmark. The remaining covers are all marked PAID 10 (except one PAID 20) as above, varied or in one instance apparently no exchange marking and "Pembina" is present on some and not on others. There are slight differences in the PAID 10 which may have been stamped at Chicago.

The post office from which these letters were mailed was the subject



The old post office referred to in this article, from a photo taken in the winter of 1945 when the building had to be moved to make way for a large modern warehouse. (See Popular Stamps for April, 1945). The city of Winnipeg has spent over $7,200 in restoring this building for posterity.

of a brief review in P.S. a year or two ago. It has since been moved to the site of old Fort Douglas across the street from the present C.P.R. station, renovated and repaired, and used once again as a post office, during Winnipeg's 75th Anniversary Celebrations, June 6th-11th, 1949. In future it will serve as a museum for relics of the Red River Days.

Through the owners of the covers the writer has been enabled to trace the old desk which Wm. Ross used in his post office, also the scales for weighing the letters and four chairs which were in the part of the building used as his home. All these items have been turned over to the Historical Society and they are to be put back in their original location. They have been donated by the present owner, a great-grandson of Wm. Ross.

I am deeply indebted to Nat Froomkin, President of the Winnipeg Philatelic Society, for introducing me to this treasure trove, to Frank Campbell of Detroit, for much valuable information and to the Editor of Popular Stamps for allowing me space on very short notice.

Note:—In a check list of the Territorial Post Offices of Minnesota, compiled by Mr. Jefferson Jones, it is stated that Pembina P.O. opened May 18th, 1850.

VISIT JEFFREY COLLECTION

A visit to the University of Western Ontario, London, to view the collection of stamps bequeathed to the University by the Late Dr. Jeffrey was made on Saturday, May 21st by members of the Mutual Stamp Club, The Stamp Guild and East Toronto S.C. and their ladies.

The party, numbering 37 people, travelled by chartered coach and after a delightful trip reached the university at 1.30 p.m. They were met by Miss Lillian Benson, of the library staff, who had everything arranged for lunch in the cafeteria. After a most scrumptious lunch, the party were shown around the beautiful grounds which overlook the city of London, by Mr. L. D. Winder and Mr. "Scotty" Stewart of the London Phil. Soc. who, together, with some other members of the L.P.S. had gathered to welcome the Toronto visitors and also by Miss Jenkins, who, one learned later, is one of the stalwarts of the London Club.

Miss Benson then took the party to the Library Bldg. and the visitors were amazed to see all the preparation that had already been done in order that they might view the stamps. Numerous frames had been laid out on the tables and were all lined up ready for inspection, after which the frames were all turned over so that one could view the stamps arranged on the other side of the sheets. The stamps were all beautifully mounted and must have entailed a tremendous amount of work as well as patience.

While the stamps enthusiasts were viewing the stamps, Miss Benson took the members of the party, who were not collectors, mostly wives of the members, and showed them through the museum and the library in general.

After a most enjoyable time spent there, the party returned to the city proper and dinner was enjoyed by all with the two very charming ladies, Miss Benson and Miss Jenkins as guests of the combined clubs.

Leaving London, reluctantly, at at 7.30 p.m. the party left for Toronto and arrived home at 11 p.m. after a most enjoyable day with perfect weather. The sincere thanks of the visitors go out to Miss Benson, Miss Jenkins and to Mr. L. D. Winder and Mr. Stewart for their very hard work and great help in making this visit possible.

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T.S.C.C. NOTES

About twenty members of the Toronto Stamp Collectors Club and their wives attended the Annual Dinner of the Buffalo Stamp Club (T.H. & B. Party) held in Hotel Statler on May 14th. There was a good representation of collectors from the surrounding district. The Buffalo boys put on a good show.

Edward Goodale of Hamilton was the guest speaker at the meeting of the Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club held in the club's room at the Royal York Hotel on Thursday evening, May 19th. His talk was on Postal History, illustrated by stampless, patriotic, hotel corner cards and flag cancellation covers. He gave much new information on the early names of a number of our towns and cities. He also showed several rare numbers of stamp magazines which he had recently acquired.

This talk is the second of a series to be given at the club during the present season and if taken as a sample of what is to come, the members are sure to have treats in store for them.

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Obituary

DR. LEWIS L. REFORD

Canadian Philately suffered a great loss when Dr. Lewis L. Reford, of Montreal, passed away in that city May 31st following a lengthy illness. Perhaps unequalled for knowledge of Early Canadian stamps he had been recognized as an authority on such over the past thirty years. He was the possessor of many classic Canadian philatelic items, many of which are illustrated in Jarrett's 1929 B.N.A. book and other publications. Mr. V. G. Greene, of Toronto, in his series on Outstanding Canadian Philatelists appearing in P.S. last year gave a biographic sketch of Dr. Reford in our issue of October, 1948. He had made a close study of the pence and 1859 issue and collaborated with Senator Calder in the latter's outstanding series on "Some Phases of the Canada '59 Issue." He was one of the few Canadians who was a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, England. To the many Canadian Philatelists of serious and long standing study Dr. Reford's accomplishments in this line will be well-known. What may not be so well-known is the regard in which he was held in the field of everyday affairs. In this respect we reproduce the following from The Montreal Star of May 31st.

Dr. Lewis L. Reford, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reford, died today at the Western Division of the General Hospital, in his 71st year, after lengthy illness.

Educated in Montreal at private schools and at McGill University, he graduated in arts in 1900 and in medicine in 1904. After interning for two years at the Montreal General Hospital, he spent five years in post graduate studies, first at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore under the late Dr. Harvey Cushing and later at several surgical centres in Germany. On his return to Montreal in 1911 he was appointed to the surgical staff of the Royal Victoria Hospital.

In 1915 he married Jean McIntyre, the youngest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Duncan McIntyre, of Montreal.

During the first World War he served overseas from 1915 to 1919 in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, being an original officer of No. 3 Canadian General Hospital (McGill).

Maintaining throughout his life his interest in neurosurgery, Dr. Reford was one of those first consulted by the late Dr. Archibald when it was proposed that a centre for the study of neurology and neurosurgery be established in Montreal, and subsequently he was one of those whose generosity led to the building of the Montreal Neurological Institute at McGill University.

A great interest in natural history led him, with his friend the late Dwight W. Brainerd, to build up a fine entomological collection. He was a supporter of the Province of Quebec Association for the Protection of Fish and Game; and as a member of the Atlantic Salmon Association, which was formed for the protection of the Gaspe salmon, his knowledge of the habits and migrations of those fish was invaluable.

Known as one of the foremost philatelist of this country, his interest in his famous collection of rare Canadian stamps never waned; and his wide knowledge of plants and flowers was manifested in his own beautiful gardens and in the development of the Montreal Botanical Garden in connection with which he was until recently a member of the board.

Possessing to an unusal degree the gift of friendship, Dr. Reford's generosity and kindness endeared him to a vast circle of friends in all walks of life. He was a member of the Zeta Psi Fraternity and St. Paul's Masonic Lodge; and belonged, among other organizations, to the Mount Royal, the University and the Kanawaki Golf Clubs.

Surviving him are his wife, one brother, R. W. Reford; two sisters, Mrs. Hartland B. MacDougall and Mrs. W. H. Clark-Kennedy; six nephews and three nieces; all of Montreal.

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#32. Boer War Canadian Contingent Covers

The previous latest known date for the use of the Canadian Cachet (Jarrett, Page 449) seems to have been December 4, 1900. A new one has come to this collector that moves this back to December 27, 1900. Used on an envelope from a Lieut. J. F. MacDonald of "Strathcona Horse". I also have acquired a cachet dated March 23, 1900—a very early date, but earlier ones must exist in spite of some claim that April 5th is the earliest date known! Will any collector having covers earlier than March 23rd, or later than December 27th please report? Also would like to know of any covers bearing the cachet dated in November 1900.

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#33. BNAPEX 1949

Collectors of B.N.A. stamps, particularly those of Canada and Newfoundland have a real treat in store for them this coming September. For on the 16th through the 18th the B.N.A. Philatelic Society will hold its first annual exhibition, Bourse, Auction and Convention at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, New York. Those who dropped in at the BNAPS lounge at Cipex know what's in store for them. It will be a philatelic gathering second to none. Put those dates on your calender right now. Fans of philatelic Canadians from coast to coast will be there—how about you?

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#34—Plate Nos.—Matched Sets

As I have visited stamp clubs in Hamilton, Guelph and Toronto in recent weeks I couldn't help but note that Canadian collectors are really "hep" on acquiring matched sets of plate numbers of recent Canadian Commemoratives. My own guess is that the fad will continue to grow as it has over here in the States. I believe this to be especially true of single commemorative stamps—those not issued in sets. After all if one is going to devote a page to the "Bell" or "Halifax" and those in between, what is nicer than a matched set on the page?

The probable effect of this will be to create new interest in the older plate numbers, especially on commemoratives.

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#35—Imperforate Tete-Beche Booklet Panes

On page 452, Boggs Vol. 1, is listed the 1c and 2c 1935 booklet panes of 6, as existing in imperforate tete-beche blocks of 12. Several inquiries on my part have failed to substantiate their existance—has anyone seem them? I'm about ready to doubt their existance.

And speaking of Boggs, and Imperforate Tete-beche booklet panes —how come the 1912-18 ones are not listed? See page 448, Vol. 1. A block of 12 of the 1c yellow is illustrated—but not listed. The block of 12 of the 2c green isn't mentioned, and neither is the block of 8 of the 3c carmine. These all exist— I've had them in my collection for at least five years.

T.S.C.C. NOTES

The Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club had as their guest speaker at their meeting Thursday evening, May 5th in the club's room at the Royal York Hotel, Mr. George T. Fox of the British-American Bank Note Company. Mr. Fox's talk was an informal one on "The Art of Printing and Engraving Postage Stamps" and was accompanied by photgraphs. He stated that Canada was the only country who still used the steel engraving method in making their stamps. He expertly answered the many questions put to him and cleared up those points which in the past had bothered collectors.

NORTH TORONTO CLUB

At the annual meeting of the North Toronto Stamp Club the following officers were elected for the 1949-50 term:—President, Edward W. Spurgeon; Vice-President, Dr. W. Schwartz; Secretary, Harold Gosney; Treasurer, James Law; Publicity Manager, W. J. Banks; Chairman Exhibition Committee, W. Freeman; Librarian, Miss A. Callander; Chairman Hospital Committee, E. W. Spurgeon; Directors, N. Loveys, J. H. Whitehead and D. Cairns.

Retiring officers reported the most successful year in the history of the club, the membership now standing at 90. The hospital committee held 18 sessions and supplied stamps to young collectors at the IODE Hospital for Convalescent Children where the club maintains a cot.

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144	(8)	.85	198	(4)	6.00	219	(8)	.50	259	(4)	.85
145	(6)	1.30	199	(4)	1.15	220	(6)	1.00	260	(4)	1.20
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148	(6)	2.25	202	(4)	1.40	223	(6)	1.00	268	(4)	.50
149	(8)	.75	203	(4)	3.60	224	(6)	1.50	269	(4)	.60
150	(8)	.35	204	(4)	1.50	225	(6)	2.50	270	(4)	.85
151	(8)	5.00	208	(4)	1.00	226	(6)	4.50	271	(4)	1.25
154	(8)	2.25	209	(4)	4.00	227	(6)	8.00	272	(4)	2.75
155	(6)	1.25	210	(4)	1.25	231	(4)	.30	273	(4)	5.00
156	(6)	2.25	211	(4)	.30	232	(4)	.20	274	(4)	.60
157	(6)	2.50		(6)	.40	233	(4)	.30	275	(4)	.50
162	(4)	.20		(8)	.50	234	(4)	.60	276	(4)	.50
163	(4)	.35		(10)	.60	235	(4)	.35	277	(4)	.35
164	(4)	.20	212	(4)	.35	236	(4)	.50	278	(4)	.35
165	(4)	.20		(6)	.50	237	(4)	.30	C1	(6)	3.25
166	(4)	.25		(8)	.60	241	(4)	.60	C3	(6)	3.00
167	(4)	.30		(10)	.70	242	(4)	.90	C5	(6)	1.25
168	(4)	1.00	213	(4)	.45	243	(4)	1.40	C6	(4)	1.15
169	(4)	.50		(6)	.70	244	(4)	2.75	C8	(4)	.60
170	(4)	.50		(8)	.85	245	(4)	5.00	C9	(4)	.50
171	(4)	1.25		(10)	1.00	246	(4)	.35	CE1	(4)	1.10
172	(4)	.65	214	(4)	1.25	247	(4)	.40	CE2	(4)	1.10
173	(4)	.85		(6)	2.00	248	(4)	.50	CE3	(4)	3.50
174	(4)	1.25		(8)	2.50	249	(4)	.10	CE4	(4)	1.10
175	(4)	2.50		(10)	3.00	250	(4)	.15	E3	(6)	2.00
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BNAPEX SEAL

The design of the convention seal for BNAPEX 1949 is announced. The seals are available in three colors, at 25c per set of three and will be sold on the convention floor, Sept. 16-17-18. Advance orders for immediate delivery may now be sent to the Cachet Chairman, Mr. Russell Allison, 712—17th Street, Niagara Falls, New York.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

Abbotsford, B.C.

Dear Mr. McCready:

In answer to my Query re Coil #133 published in Popular Stamps magazine for April, I was fortunate to receive the information as under, from Mr. Albert Bradley of Hamilton and perhaps some of your readers would be interested.

Mr. Bradley writes in part.—"Some years ago I doped out the distinguishing feature showing the difference between the genuine and fake coils, and they as follows:

Genuine—Printed design—17mx21m.
Fake—Printed design—17½x21¼m.

The paper in the Fake Stamp is much thinner and the design quite visible from the back. Dated Copies, used at time of issue are next to impossible and genuine used copies are exceedingly scarce. They were used mostly in our city and that only for a short time.

The above information should leave no doubt about the Fakes whether in singles or strips."

I might mention that only one of the 4 used copies I have was genuine according to Mr. Bradley's information.—Wm. C. Stanley.

NEW POST OFFICE

Kingsdale a suburban community near Kitchener, Ontario, opened its first post office on April 27th, 1949. Kingsdale was named in honour of Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, former prime minister of Canada, who was born in Kitchener. The new postmaster is John B. King who formerly lived in Newfoundland and who by coincidence has a son named William Lyon Machenzie King. On hand to help receive the first mail which arrived at 11 o'clock was Councillor, Arthur King.

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Dresden, Ont.—A postcard mailed in Toronto 62 years ago finally reached its destination—Dresden's town clerk's office.

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G.R.V. CLUB

George T. Vogt was elected president of the Grand River Valley Stamp Club when the group held their annual dinner recently.

Other officers elected were, 1st Vice-Pres., Bruce McAdam; 2nd, Vice-Pres., Robert Fraser; Sec.-Treas., J. E. Kraemer; Librarian, Albert E. Fuller; Directors, Dorothy Russell, Whitney Bradley and E. J. Bergmann. Mr. Vogt succeeds Asher R. Borth, past president.

Walter Allendorf, president of the Grand River Philatelic Association, William Erbach, president of the B. F. Goodrich Stamp Club and Harvey Zeller who recently returned from a trip to California and Western Canada spoke briefly. A draw prize featuring a frame of a complete mint set of Newfoundland stamps was won by Lorna MacArthur with the consolation prizes going to William Erbach and Mr. E. D. Kinzie.

All present took part in various novelty features supervised by Walter Allendorf who acted as master of ceremonies. Prize winners were Robert Fraser, Frank Shantz, Dorothy Russell, Fern Kraemer, and Jim Betts.

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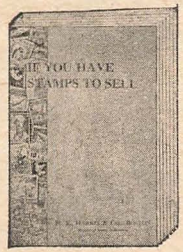

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167	$4.80 Colony Seal	4.80	5.25
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47-49	Coronation	.25	.30
50/61	1c to 24c (9)	.80	.30
52	3c Obsolete	1.00	.12
53	4c Obsolete	1.80	.75
58	60c Blue Basin	.70	.20
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60	$4.80 Geo. VI	4.80	4.80
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84	2s6d Sepia	.70	.75
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86	10s Blue	2.40	2.65
87	£1 Gray	4.80	5.25
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The Jeffery Collection

BY J. HOWARD CROCKER

The Jeffery Stamp Collection housed in the Lawson Memorial Library of the University of Western Ontario is one of the most treasured possessions of the institution. Albert O. Jeffery, the original donor of this collection, was born in the Township of London, July 5, 1857. Of Empire Loyalist stock, he was educated in London and called to the Ontario bar in 1878. Dr. Jeffery's public interests were varied and he rendered valuable civic service as a member of the London Public Schools Board and the Public Library Board. He was appointed Queen's Counsel by the Ontario Government in 1898. From 1920 until his death on June 6, 1928, he was president of the London Life Insurance Company.

Dr. Jeffery was interested in philately throughout his life and after his death his expressed wishes were carried out in the gift of his collection to the library of the University of Western Ontario. There were sufficient funds also provided for the construction of a stamp cabinet and for the proper mounting of the stamps. The original collection has been extended and carried forward by grants from the Board of Governors of the University and by gifts from others interested in the development of the collection.

The board of trustees was appointed by the University: Chairman, Professor Fred Landon, Messrs. James A. Campbell of the London Life Insurance Company and J. Howard Crocker as Secretary.

Blueprints and specifications from the Smithsonian Institution at Washington D.C. were kindly loaned and a stamp cabinet, containing seventy-five double-faced panels, twenty-two by twenty-eight inches, was completed. In 1934 selection and mounting of stamps began.

While Dr. Jeffery's collection was general in scope it was clear that two of the collections were outstanding, namely the United States of America and the Canadian with England and the Dominions. It was, therefore, decided to mount, bring up to date and maintain these two collections.

It was further decided that any subsequent gifts of stamps to the collection should be acknowledged and credit given by having the donor's name inscribed on the panel of the exhibit. In 1934, for example, the London Stamp Club donated a panel containing all the Canadian issues for 1932-4.

During the last three years Mr. Henry P. Graves of Geneva, New York, has supplied the collection with all the United States commemoratives and three of his panels have been mounted. The trustees secured complete sets of the British Colonies of the Jubilee of King George V and a set of King George VI Coronation.

Recent notable additions to the collection have been:

1. A panel of stamps and covers commemorating the centenary of postage stamps in England.

2. A memorial panel showing a sheet of the Alexander Graham Bell stamps, a fine photgraph of Mr. Bell in the centre with a picture of the homestead in Brantford and another picture of Graham Bell standing on the steps of the Bell Memorial Monument in Brantford.

3. As President Roosevelt was a world famous stamp collector, the trustees considered that an historical panel in the United States exhibit would be desirable. A photograph of President Roosevelt seated at his desk examining stamps was secured and the collection of memorial stamps issued by seventeen different nations at the time of his death were included.

The aim of the trustees is to secure and mount all stamps which have been issued in Canada and the United States as well as Great Britain and the Dominions. The stamps in the original collection which were not needed have been disposed of and the money thus raised has been used to fill in the vacant spaces.

The library has established the policy of acquiring stamp literature, catalogues, magazines and books on

the subject of philately to supplement the collection. In addition to a set of Scott's catalogues many early Canadian philatelic journals have been presented to the library by Dr. L. Seale Holmes, of London.

The collection has proved itself of value in the undergraduate student life of the University, for the students have organized a stamp club which meets twice a month for stamp talks and exchange.

The collection may be seen by the public during library hours.

METER NEWS AND NOTES

By M. L. Brown, Rutland, Sask.

An interesting but small group of Canadian meters are those numbered 04000 to 04018. This group was first used in 1934 and I have noticed two numbers still appearing this year. Others may still be in use as well. Numbers still unknown are 04009, 04013, and 04014. These machines only print one value thus resembling our first type of meter used in Canada. Among the values known on these machines is a one half cent green on meter 04015. This is the only case I know of in which a Canadian meter machine was equipped to print that value. There are three sub-types in this group with the machine number reading (1) Metre No. on 04000-04003 (2) Metre on 04004-04012 (3) Meter-Compteur on 04016-04018 Many slogans are to be found and Return Postage Prepaids are also known.

For those interested in Military cancellations it may be of interest to mention that N.P.O. 1113 and N.P.O. 617 may be found on meters. The first mentioned is on meter numbers 140031 and 1400231 while the latter is on 84038. Another navy townmark reads "Victoria H.M.C. Dockyard. B.C." and is also on 140031.

Our meters are usually found in red. However, green, blue and purple are quite common, while brown, yellow and orange are fairly scarce. I just received an orange one on meter 84962 from Windsor, Ontario, my first in a number of years.

Slogans of interest are "Much Crippling is Preventable! Correct Deformities Early" from Toronto on meter 140581; "Building A Better Canada" from Montreal on number 144044; "Air Mail" from Brantford on meter 143577; and from Victoria on meter 54023 "Plan Now! Vacation in British Columbia, Canada".

A variation in the usual townmark is North Vancouver and British Columbia in full but in very small print due to lack of space. Also have seen several errors lately. In the one case the townmark was upside down and in the other the slogan both of which are rather scarce items although errors in dates are quite common.

Since last writing on meters used by Family Allowances Branch I have received information on those used in Quebec, British Columbia, and Nova Scotia. All seem to use the same slogans with the exception of Quebec which as yet has been blank. Slogans used in addition to those mentioned last time are "All Growing Children Need Vitamin D"; "Family Allowances are for your Children"; "Good Health Your Greatest Asset"; "Watch Your Child's Winter Diet".

SPECIAL CACHETS

Special P.O.D. cachets have been prepared for use on all mail posted at the Postal Exhibits at the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, July 11th-16th; Edmonton Exhibition, July 18th-23rd and Saskatoon Industrial Exhibition, July 25th-30th.

Covers should be sent in an outer wrapper, fully prepaid and addressed to Postmasters concerned to reach them either **before** or **during** the periods mentioned for the particular cachets desired.

Covers should all be fully addressed and should contain a filler. A space not less than 2½" by 3" wide should be reserved in the lower left-hand corner for the cachet impression.

Affix Canadian Postage Stamps in upper right-hand corner. Short-paid covers will be forwarded taxed double deficiency. Mutilated stamps cannot be accepted for postage.

SMALLEST PERF. YET!

The new Penang and Malacca George VI issues are perf. 18, which is so small that it is beyond the limit of the usual perforation gauge! R. Roberts of London believes that Thomas De La Rue, the printers, have a new perforating machine.—Scott's Monthly Journal.

Playing Card Overprints

By Charles Armstrong

A side-line for revenue collectors is war tax and excise stamps used on playing cards and cancelled with the manufacturers initials. They turn up in mixtures of common stamps but should be more valuable than those without the cancellation.

There are varieties of—red or black overprint; normal or inverted; serifs and no serifs; small or large "O" in Co.; legs of "M" vertical or at an angle; two sizes on some overprints; also missing periods etc.

No. 5—One or two horizontal bars, on 5c yellow war tax and three leaf excise stamps.

No. 6—"cancelled" on three leaf excise.

No. 7—legs of "M" vertical. Canadian Litho Manufacturing Co., on two leaf and three leaf and King's head excise stamps.

No. 8—legs of "M" slanted, otherwise as type 7.

1 2 3 4

5 6 7 8

No. 1—shows large "O" in Co., used by United tates Playing Card Co. Comes on war tax and King's head excise stamps.

No. 2—small "o" in Co. Comes on war tax, two leaf and King's head excise stamps.

No. 3—Canadian Playing Card Co. only one type. On two leaf and three leaf excise stamps.

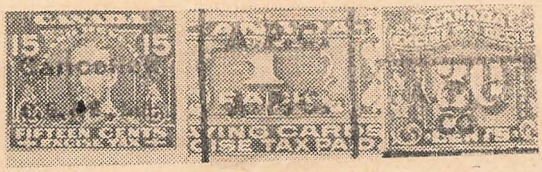
No. 4—"cancelled international," on two leaf and three leaf excise stamps.

No. 9—C.G. & S. Ltd., Canada Game and Stationery Ltd. on King's head excise stamps.

No. 10—American Playing Card Co., A.P.C. repeated, and two vertical bars, on violet playing card coil stamp.

No 11—As type 10 but two horizontal bars & Co., on three leaf excise.

The manufacturers name for No. 4, 5, 6 is unknown to the writer, any information, suggestions, etc., will be welcome. (See also Page 23)



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The 50-Cent Edward of 1908

BY F. WALTER POLLOCK

In POPULAR STAMPS for May, 1949, Aubrey Kelson writes about and illustrates an **imaginary** variety of the 50-cent Edward of 1908, asking "whether there were two separate printings of this stamp."

Boggs says that there were, in fact, two printings, but he may or may not be right; he also says that 600,000 copies of this stamp were issued, whereas the official record is only 500,000.

But so far as this "variety" is concerned, it would not matter in the slightest, whether there were one, two, or twenty printings; in fact, the question in itself implies lack of knowledge of the methods and processes involved in recess printing from engraved plates.

As is well known, the Edward VII design stemmed from a master die, from which in turn, a working die was made for each denomination; the design and main details of all values are therefore alike. For the 50-cent stamp, there was one die, and one plate, of 200 subjects, divided into two panes of 100 subjects each. Regardless of the number of printings, only one plate served for the entire job, and although I have not seen, and cannot hope to see, the half-million copies that were printed, I will say positively that no genuine, unretouched copy of this stamp—or of any stamp of any value in this series—shows a solid background of color behind the letttering in the broad oval which surrounds the portrait.

The background of the lettering consists of cross-hatching, deeply cut and with the lines close together, so that a superficial examination acknowledges the success of the apparent intention to create the impression of solidity. But a sufficiently strong glass will reveal the horizontal and the vertical lines, and the small white squares which these lines form.

For some of the low values, of course, the plates were used so much that wear is apparent, the cross-hatching being fully evident to the unaided eye, and a very desirable plate variety of the 5-cent stamp shows this cross-hatching strengthened by plate retouching—Boggs catalogs the worn plate variety, but not the much rarer retouch variety.

But wear would not be a factor in the case of the 50-cent value, as only 2,500 impressions from the plate were necessary; however, minor variations would occur according to the consistency of the ink, the degree of wetness of the paper, and the amount of ink removed in the wiping stage.

This "Dinky Daymus Variety" is, therefore, exceedingly "dinky"; not a true variety at all, in the philatelic sense of the word, but merely a trivial printing variation.

DESTROYS F.D. COVERS OF BIRTHDAY ISSUE

(From Ottawa Journal of June 1st)

The Post Office Department was busy Tuesday destroying hundreds of precious "First Day Covers" bearing stamps of the King's Birthday issue which have since been cancelled because of an error in design.

If released, the stamps would have been a rare possession for collectors receiving the envelopes, because of the limited number of stamps available.

Instead, the Post Office will provide new envelopes bearing new corrected stamps and send them out to collectors, June 6.

Hundreds of sheets of the "old" issue had been printed when it was discovered the important word "Postage" was missing from the design.

Editor's Note—This omission of word "Postage" on recent commemoratives was mentioned in a Letter to Editor in last issue of P.S. Whether or not this is the reason to withdraw first printing of the Birthday issue we do not know. Perhaps it was through fact that this issue is replacing the regular issue and not just a temporary issue like a commemorative that mention of "Postage" on the stamps is desirable.

We do not guarantee to insert ads received after 25th month previous.

Some of the odd overprints on stamps that were used on matches, perfumes, imports, etc., are shown in this latter illustration.

(Refer back to Page 21)

NEW STAMP CLUB

Mr. Allen Whalen was elected president of the newly formed Sandy Hill Community Stamp Club at a meeting held in Garneau school, Ottawa.

A discussion of the postponement of the new issue of King George VI stamps took place, as well as reasons and advantages for forming the club.

Other members elected included J. Brunet, secretary; Miss L. Blain, treasurer; Lorne Bentham, librarian and Lionel Pelletier, publicity. Hon. members are Wm. Gladdish, director of the C.P.S., Ald. Wm. Newton and Ald. Chas. St. Germain. Directors, Kendall McNeil, president of Ottawa Philatelic Society, Mrs. A. Brunet, R. Reid, Samuel Cox, Charles Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred M. Sprung, Ernest P. Reinberg and Guy DeBlois.

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I get the names of prominent persons and have covers postmarked with similar post office cancellations. Then send them to these people for their autographs on the face of the envelope. The "G.B.S." envelope is one of those and the "Nov. 1, 1948" mentioned in your article, is the date of one of the postmarks on the envelope.

The "Shaw's comment quotes" at the end of your article are the same as on the envelope and in addition to Mr. Shaw's full signature, he dated it, "21 April, 1949." This letter to you is not in the form of criticism, but just an effort "to keep the record straight."—F.W.S.

P.S. I mailed the envelope to Mr. Shaw the early part of April, 1949, and received it the latter part of the month.

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Winners of the gold medal were Alex McMaster, Stan Pollard, Burton Slough, Robert Wulff and Geo. Stripp.

Silver medal winners were: A. T. Morris, Bruce Ramsey and Rev. F. A. Ramsey. W. D. Leslie, R. W. Gleed and W. C. Thorne won bronze medals for their displays.

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